## **Attachment B**

## **ATC Project classification**

The following project classification represents the types of projects under covered activities.

	General project type	Definition	Environmental work scope	Potential Impact	Potential Impact issues
Transmission line projects	Reconductor	Reconductor on current right of way (ROW); no increase in voltage; no change to easement; no new or replacement poles/structures	Determine presence of sensitive areas/species (wetlands, TES) and cultural resources issues. If present, develop and implement project-specific construction plan to protect species and areas.	Low impact	Type of equipment used?

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Rebuild	Rebuild may include the following activities:  Reconductor on current ROW, with pole for pole replacement  Reconductor to increase voltage, increase the number of conductors, respan poles  Add circuits to existing structures  Add circuit and new structure to existing ROW	Determine presence of sensitive areas/species (wetlands, TES) and cultural resources issues. If present, develop and implement project-specific construction plan to protect species and areas.	Low impact	Type of equipment used?  If new ROW needed, can size and extent of added ROW and types of habitat be characterize d?
New line New ROW	Select route using ATC siting process, a team approach that includes	Determine presence of sensitive areas/species	Impact determined by resources	

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	engineering, planning, all support functions) Acquire new ROW easements to construct a new transmission line	(wetlands, TES) and cultural resources issues. If present, review project to avoid these. If these cannot be avoided, develop and implement project-specific construction plans to protect species and areas.	involved. Siting and processes address impacts by avoidance first, then protection, and mitigation.	